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Mr. Roelof van Ark, Executive Director California High-Speed Rail Authority 925 L Street, Suite 1425 Sacramento CA 5814

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SUBJECT: INVITATION FOR EX-OFFICIO MEMBERSHIP ON THE LOSSAN JOINT POWERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Dear Mr. van Ark:

On behalf of the Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency Joint Powers Board, I would like to invite the Authority to serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Directors.

LOSSAN has worked since 1989 to improve the passenger rail corridor between San Diego and San Luis Obispo, bringing capital improvements and federal dollars to build capacity and improve stations. Our member agencies are the rail owners and operators and planning agencies along the entire corridor. Caltrans also serves on the Board and Amtrak and the Southern California Association of Governments are ex-officio members. As a member, your staff is also invited to participate on our Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), and in fact they have participated occasionally throughout the last 10 years.

As you plan the implementation of high-speed services in portions of our corridor, it seems timely that we extend an invitation to jointly plan improvements with us for the betterment of passenger rail services and mobility in southern California.

Enclosed are the bylaws and joint exercise of powers agreement – we request your review of and signature on both. We hope you'll accept this invitation to work together to enhance all current and future services along the corridor. If you have any questions, please contact me at (858) 250-4681 or our SANDAG staff contact, Linda Culp, at (619) 699-6957. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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